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Title: COMPOUND FOR RARE-EARTH BONDED MAGNET AND BONDED MAGNET USING THE COMPOUND	

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Dear Sir:

In accordance with 37 CFR §1.56, and in recognition of their duty to disclose to the United States Patent and Trademark Office relevant information known to be material to patentability, Applicants herewith submit the attached Form PTO-SB-08a.

Applicants cite U.S. Patent Reference No. 1 because it was cited by the Examiner in the Office Action mailed July 7, 2006 in copending Application No. 10/484,702.

Applicants cite Foreign Patent Document No. 1 because the Examiner alleged that no copy of this reference was received by the Examiner in the Information Disclosure Statement filed April 24, 2006. Applicants' counsel respectfully submits that a copy of this reference was submitted and received by the U.S. Patent Office. Nevertheless, a copy of this reference is enclosed.

Applicants cite Non-Patent Literature Document No. 1 because the Examiner alleged no copy of this reference was received by the Examiner in the Information Disclosure Statement filed September 6, 2005. Applicants' counsel respectfully submits

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Applicants respectfully request that the cited references be made of record in the subject application.

Respectfully submitted,

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